

Response to Rule 312 Communication	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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1. The amendment filed on 30 March 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment was disapproved (not entered) since it unnecessarily refers to related applications, not impacting effective filing date or priority of invention so as to cause confusion, and omits the necessary reference to the application being a 371 of PCT/US00/11620, filed 04/28/2000.



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